

13-02-10 Occupy Ukiah Direct Action minutes

Present: Bill, Bart, Robin, Charlie, Denny, Steve

Announcements:

- 1) Bill will be leaving at the end of March for 3 months to do some work in Virginia.
- 2) Please watch "How the FBI sabotaged Black America" on YouTube. 1hr long. Please ponder what the FBI is now doing to the Occupy movement
- 3) Bart is leaving on Feb 21 and will be back on March 9
- 4) Read the Christopher Dorner manifesto
- 5) Robin will go away the first 10 days in April

Agenda:

- 1) Money
- 2) Forum plans
- 3) Public Bank meeting
- 4) Denny's letter
- 5) MRC herbicide update
- 6) Buddy Ehler fundraiser
- 7) Willits Bypass update
- 8) Wal-Mart update
- 9) Labels

Minutes:

- 1) Money
 - a. We need \$250 right now: \$130 to Channel 3, \$100 for the website domain, \$85 for the Methodist Church choir room
 - b. We have no Treasurer, no bank account, no fundraiser
 - c. \$127 was donated from the current attendees toward the \$250 needed. Money was given to Charlie. Charlie still has some money left from Greg Simsik's donation. Need another \$125 ASAP.
 - d. Robin nominated Charlie to be Treasurer and said we can open a political action account but it requires a \$50/yr fee
 - e. We will keep the Occupyukiah.info domain name \$9.99 on the Feb. 20th automatic to an unknown credit card
 - f. Tom Davenport recommends another web host other than godaddy.
 - g. Need to find out the difference in the price between the old web host and the new one before we make the final decision whether to change or not.
- 2) Forum plans
 - a. We can pass the hat after the MC makes an appeal to raise more money
 - b. We can have a raffle but we need to solicit items for the raffle, perhaps solicit businesses that are sympathetic to our cause
 - c. We can also sell refreshments
 - d. If we need to postpone the date to accommodate the Buddy Ehler fundraiser on the 17th, we can do it.
 - e. We need to push these 2 events even though they are a week apart. Bill is taking care of everything for the 17th and only needs willing helpers on the day of the event.

- f. Charlie called the Ag Commissioner, Chuck Morris, to speak at our public forum. But he doesn't want to walk into an ambush. We must emphasize to be respectful. A moderator.
 - g. Charlie will contact Adam Gaska or Mendocino Organics.
 - h. Bart is working on inviting the Frye Ranch.
 - i. CCOF was disbanded. California Certificated Organic Farmers. They transferred into the Local Renegade.
 - j. Turtle Creek Assn by Els Cooperrider might have something to do about it.
 - k. Scheduled speakers, followed by questions, followed by open mike.
 - l. Charlie will be the moderator.
 - m. Robin will contact Marvin Trotter
 - n. Steve will contact Greg Krauss of the radio program Toxic Free Future
- 3) Public Bank meeting
- a. Steve wants us all to show up on Tuesday to the BOS meeting. He will call us with the exact time.
 - b. The meeting was initiated by Agnes Woolsey or Occupy Mendocino to discuss the next steps toward a Public Bank
 - c. The EDFC will be giving a report to the BOS on a meeting last September which concerned establishing a county PB.
 - d. Wednesday is the meeting with the County Recorder with Jed Davis.
 - e. Steve hopes that Tim, the BOS aide will schedule the time for this item.
 - f. Talking points to convince the EDFC to get involved in establishing a PB. To direct the executive office to join with EDFC
- 4) Denny's letter
- a. Denny is writing a Free Speech Activity Policy for the Mendocino County Sheriff. He has concluded with the 15ft "Pillar Rule" from any store entrance.
 - b. Sheriff Allman want to make a training video for his staff and Denny said they need to set a standard policy first
 - c. If the CA Supreme Court Ralph's v. United Food & Commercial Workers Union Local 8 already decided on a more restrictive definition last December, then how can we define the 15ft rule? The decision is vague enough so that it leaves room for local interpretations.
 - d. It is wise to pursue this. We want to specific
 - e. Propose that Occupy Ukiah support Denny's efforts. All approved.
- 5) MRC herbicide update
- 6) Buddy Ehler fundraiser
- a. Occupy Ukiah will not have to organize this event
 - b. Bill is doing all the organizing
 - c. Occupy Ukiah only needs to show up on March 17 to be security guards, sell drinks, set up and clean up
 - d. Robin will do the advertising if Bill gets the information to her before February
- 7) Willits Bypass update
- a. Now that the February 1st deadline has passed re: the migratory bird laws, the bypass is not stopped. The only difference is that they have to inspect each tree for migratory birds before they cut the tops off.
 - b. There will be more resistance.
- 8) Wal-Mart update – see the item about Denny's letter

- 9) Labels – We need skull & crossbones labels with the toxic effects of Roundup to go into stores and deface the Roundup bottles with gummed labels. Maybe John John will make them.